

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 21, 1910.  
Rain to-day; partly cloudy and colder to-morrow; moderate south and southeast winds.

## TO BROADEN ALD'S INQUIRY IT SEEMS CERTAIN CONGER WILL HAVE TO TELL.

**Senator Davis Has Made Up His Mind How He Will Rule—Conger Tells About His Idea of His Own Immunity—Ald to Be a Witness This Week—Malby Called**

BUFFALO, Feb. 20.—Senator Davis, at his home in Lancaster to-day, was asked if he has decided whether the present Senate inquiry into the Conger charges against Ald is to be put on a basis broad enough to include charges against other live men.

"Yes," he answered promptly, "but it will hardly be proper for me to state it in advance of the session on Tuesday."

He declined to discuss that subject further. As to the investigation in general and the work of the Senate, he said:

"The investigation is moving along in a decorous way. We are trying to give both sides a fair hearing and we hope that the people will be satisfied with the result, whatever it may be. The Senate is going on with its regular business every day, passing on all bills that do not require hearings. As to those the hearings will be delayed only to the extent made necessary by the time occupied by the investigation."

Although the Senator will not disclose his decision on the mooted question until Tuesday it is practically certain that he will overrule the objection and let in testimony that Conger's attorneys fought against admitting. Chairman Davis originally overruled objection to the admission of this testimony and it was only after insistent argument on the part of Conger's attorneys that he consented to reserve his decision. It therefore is extremely probable that Chairman Davis will stand by his decision overruling the objection.

ALBANY, N. Y., Feb. 20.—Senator Conger gave a partial explanation of his views on the Ald case to-day.

"What defence do you think Senator Ald will make?" was asked.

"I suppose he will try to drag me down too," replied Senator Conger.

"Some people think the bribe giver as bad as the bribe taker," suggested the reporter.

Senator Conger laughed and said the present was a case of blackmail. He called attention to a clipping that discussed the Ald case from both sides as bribery and referred to section 3 of Article XIII. of the State Constitution, which provides that one who testifies that he has given a bribe to an official shall be exempt from prosecution as a bribe giver. The inference was that the Constitution gave immunity even to the giver in the case of bribery, while in the case of blackmail there was no moral onus to bear heavily on the informer.

"I got tired of this regular holdup and in 1905 I objected. At the conference of bridge builders, as representative of the Groton and Canton companies, I refused to go on paying. Some wanted to go on and some did not. I insisted I would not and the meeting ended without anything being done. Then they passed the bill."

ALBANY, Feb. 20.—When the trial of Senator John P. Ald is renewed before the Senate committee of the whole Tuesday morning a determined fight will be made by Lewis E. Carr to compel Senator Conger to reveal all he knows about the distribution of the \$4,000 which he says was given to Assemblyman Jean Burnett. Counsel for Ald has been led to believe that Burnett acted as the disbursing officer who distributed portions of the \$4,000 where results would be most effective. In the event of any additional names being brought into the case in connection with the huddle fund of 1901 the investigation will be prolonged.

The expectation that Mr. Carr might be successful in bringing out the names of men other than Nixon, Burnett and Ald as beneficiaries of the bridge companies' corruption funds gave the closing hours of the trial on Friday a sensational tinge. It was the belief that if any other names were brought into the scandal the trial of Senator Ald would continue two or three weeks longer. If Senator Conger is unmoved from his statement, made on direct examination, that he did not know what became of the \$4,000 after Burnett got it, the supposition is that the limit has been reached as far as exposures are concerned. If no other names are brought out counsel on both sides feel that they can sum up and have the trial over by the middle of next week.

Meanwhile, however, there are a number of important witnesses to be called to the stand. Chief among these is Representative George R. Malby of Ogdenburg, St. Lawrence county, who has been subpoenaed by Senator Ald's counsel. While in the Legislature Senator Malby introduced a bill similar to the measure Assemblyman Stevens introduced in the lower house limiting to \$2,000 the amounts town boards could authorize to be appropriated for bridge construction. It is said that Representative Malby will be able to throw some additional light as to the origin of the bill and tell where the amendments subsequently offered and which took the sting out of the measure as far as the bridge companies were concerned came from.

Senator Conger has maintained that he did not offer the amendments but naturally enough approved them. Assemblyman Stevens has been in Albany for several days and he will also testify. Other important witnesses will include surviving members of the Assembly Committee on Rules and Internal Affairs of 1901, who have also been subpoenaed by the defence. Senator Ald's counsel also have other witnesses who will be called during the week but whose identity the defence is keeping under cover for the present.

The most sensational incident of the trial to come some time this week will be the cross-examination of Senator Ald by James W. Osborne, who has asked most of the questions on behalf of Senator Conger.

Deacon Moe and Senator Conger will

## CONNERS HERE, FACES DEFEAT HEARS THAT MURPHY HAS GOT THE KINGS DELEGATES.

**If Connors Can't Get Them Away His Hopes Are Slender—He Deprecates a "Walkout" If He Is Beaten—John A. Dix Murphy Candidate for Chairman.**

Chairman William J. Connors of the Democratic State committee strolled into the Waldorf-Astoria last night, rubicund and jolly, just as though Charles F. Murphy, leader of Tammany Hall, had not decreed that he should be ousted from his place at the meeting of the committee to be held at the Hotel Ten Eyck in Albany on Thursday. Mr. Connors had just arrived from Palm Beach. His train was five hours late. Awaiting him at the hotel were the following State committee men, most of whom had been there all day: Michael J. Walsh, Yonkers; Wesley J. Springstead, Haverstraw; George B. Van Valkenburg, Lexington; William S. Cameron, Glens Falls; Stephen Ryan, Norwich; William F. Rafferty, Syracuse; Warren M. Sweet, Fillmore; George W. Batten, Lockport; Mayor Louis P. Fuhrman and Henry P. Burgard of Buffalo, and Thomas M. Hassett, formerly secretary of the Catskill water board. Chairman Connors had a conference with these committee men, and then he said:

"Yes, I returned from Palm Beach somewhat earlier than I expected. I guess you know why."

"Has Mr. Murphy got you beaten?"

"I don't know," replied Mr. Connors. "I won't know until Thursday."

"If Mr. Murphy has you beaten will you resign before a vote is taken at Albany?"

"Under no circumstances," rejoined Mr. Connors, "will I resign. I may be overthrown, but I don't know. I'll tell you a story about that. A friend of mine for a lifetime always said that politics was different from business. In business you might be sure to close a deal, but it never was closed in politics until it was closed up. You see a politician to-day, and you have got to see him to-morrow to find out if he is in the place where you left him."

"Do you expect to see Mr. Murphy?"

"I do not know whether he will call on me or not," replied Chairman Connors. "I know that I have talked with a lot of my friends and that I am to talk with more of them to-morrow and Tuesday, and on Wednesday I shall probably go to Albany. I have not sent for anybody."

"Have you anything in addition to say to your Palm Beach statement wherein you declared that the proposition was to turn the party over to contractors like Murphy and Gaffney & Co., and that recent Supreme Court Justice nominations had been put up at auction?"

"I shall not add to that statement to-night," replied Mr. Connors, "but I stand by my Palm Beach statement in every particular. I may issue an additional statement to-morrow or Tuesday."

"In view of the Conger-Ald developments at Albany and the Republican situation in the State do you think the Democrats have a chance, a good one, of electing their State ticket next fall?"

"I think it looks better for the Democratic party than at any time within the last fifteen years."

"How?"

"Well—Mr. Connors hesitated.

"In the next half moment Mr. Connors added: "The Democrats are very successful in mixing things up always at the wrong time. I was elected chairman for two years and if Mr. Murphy wanted to put me out at the end of my term, all well and good, he could go ahead and do it, and my successor would run the campaign. But there was no sense in splitting the party at this time. I don't know whether I would want to be chairman again. Some of the State committee men who signed the petition for the call for the meeting at Albany were not aware that Mr. Murphy contemplated an effort to supersede me. Those who did sign it with this knowledge will without doubt hear from their constituents. I was a good enough chairman up to six months ago, so they all said, and these constituents will want to know what caused a change of heart in their State committee men."

"Are you certain, Mr. Connors, that at the meeting on Thursday Mr. Murphy will make the attempt to throw you out?"

"It don't say so in the call," answered Mr. Connors, "but from what I have been reading and from what has been told me it looks as though he were going to try and do it."

Former Mayor Walsh of Yonkers attended the conference of Chairman Connors' friends last night as the personal friend of Mr. Murphy and a friend of Mr. Connors too. Mr. Walsh did not hesitate to tell Mr. Connors and his associate State committee men that Mr. Murphy had anywhere from thirty to thirty-five votes with which to unseat Mr. Connors, and moreover that it would be wise for Mr. Connors to resign and prevent further friction in the party. Mr. Walsh told Chairman Connors that it has been frequently stated in the inner circles of the Democratic party of the State that Mr. Murphy has the signatures of twenty-eight State committee men to a request to Chairman Connors to resign. It came out also that shortly before Mr. Connors left for Palm Beach he and Mr. Murphy had a talk in which Mr. Murphy informed Mr. Connors that a majority of the committee desired him to resign and that Mr. Connors had refused to do so, asking:

"Why don't you resign yourself, Murphy? You haven't made much of a showing here in New York county."

"I will resign," replied Murphy. "If a majority of the Tammany Hall leaders ask me to resign, just as a majority of the State committee have asked you to resign."

It developed at the Connors conference last night, after former Mayor Walsh had gone, that a number of the State committee men friendly to Connors told him they regretted his Palm Beach statement, and that it had turned a number of committee men against him on the

## FAST PENNA. TRAIN DERAILS 24 Hour Limited From St. Louis Hits a Broken Rail in Ohio.

**The Pennsylvania Railroad "Twenty-four Hour New York," the road's fastest train between St. Louis and New York, was partly wrecked near Scio, Ohio, at 8 o'clock yesterday morning. The train is made up of six cars, and five of these left the track. It is said that only one woman and two men of all the passengers in these five coaches were even bruised and their injuries are not serious.**

According to the stories told by the passengers when the train reached Jersey City last night the train was half an hour late and was being hauled by two locomotives over a level stretch of road in an effort to make up the lost time. There is a curve a mile west of Scio. The passengers said the train struck this curve while going fifty miles an hour. The five cars jumped the track and bumped along for half a mile.

Only the locomotives and the combination baggage and smoking car stayed on the track. The couplings between the diner, which was the first of the derailed cars and the Pullman behind it broke and the locomotives dragging the baggage car and the derailed liner kept on for an eighth of a mile more.

A westbound train came around the curve a moment after the accident, but missed the derailed cars by a narrow margin. Employees of the road and passengers stopped this other train in time to keep it from hitting a Pullman which was too far off the track. The westbound train carried the passengers back to Pittsburgh, where a new train was made up, and brought the passengers to New York three hours late. The railroad men lay the accident to a broken rail.

## CARS SMASH ON ICY RAILS 70 PASSENGERS JARRED; WRECK JAMS BUSY CORNER.

**Crosstown Trolley Slips Down Hill and Sends Another Sprawling—Scared Women Struggle to Get Out—Three Persons Sent to Bellevue Hospital.**

Seventy persons were bruised and shaken up in a trolley car collision at Third-fourth street and Third avenue at 6 o'clock last evening.

A Thirty-fourth street car carrying about thirty passengers was bound east in charge of Motorman William Smith. After leaving Lexington avenue Smith let the car slide down the hill toward Third avenue. When it reached the avenue it was going so fast and the tracks were so slippery from the drizzle that Smith found his brakes wouldn't hold.

Just then a Third avenue car in which were forty passengers shot out northward from the Thirty-fourth street corner across the path of the crosstown car. The lighter crosstown car jammed the big pay as you enter car just about amidships with a crash and a splintering of flying glass. It ploughed through the wooden side and then jammed the car off the tracks and left it lying on its side about ten feet off the tracks near an elevated pillar. The front platform of the lighter car was flattened until it looked as if it were trying to run inside for safety.

Motorman Smith was jammed back into his car and so badly cut and bruised that he had to go to Bellevue Hospital. The motorman of the Third avenue car, James Bryson, and his conductor were thrown into the street but not badly hurt.

Passengers in both cars were thrown to the floor. Most of them were frightened women. In the upset Third avenue car those who got on their feet found themselves unable at first to get to the doors. They began to scream. This started a panic in the smaller car and everybody tried to get out at once. A crowd of pedestrians crowded about the cars, adding to the confusion.

Police reserves got round the corner quickly. Policeman Bushnell, who witnessed the accident, got into the Thirty-fourth street car and found Mrs. Ellen Clark of 1333 Fifty-third street, Brooklyn, lying bruised and hysterical on the floor. He took her in his arms and carried her to the street. She was taken to Bellevue.

Frank Lenzler of 194 Second street, who was a passenger on the Third avenue car, also went to the hospital suffering from contusions of both hips. The other passengers were more or less bruised, but none needed medical attention.

The cars, locked by the collision, blocked traffic on both lines until a wrecking crew removed them at 7:20 o'clock.

## AN UP TO DATE RESCUE. Railroad Engineer, Policeman and Chauffeur Save Drowning Boy.

**GREENWICH, Feb. 20.—When the 4:05 westbound train arrived at Greenwich station this afternoon the engineer reported that he had seen a boy struggling in the waters of Bruce Pond. Officer Nedley got the chauffeur of a passing automobile to take him to Bruce Pond at his best speed. The auto landed Officer Nedley at the pond before the struggling boy went down.**

He was Charles Peterson, the eleven-year-old son of Benjamin Peterson.

**GAS KILLS C. C. N. Y. TEACHER.**

Instructor Hippolyte Bergman Dies by Accident in a Bathroom.

Hippolyte Bergman, aged 28, an instructor in physics at the College of the City of New York, was found dead in the bathroom of his apartment in the Bell-court, 416 West 122d street, at 5 o'clock yesterday afternoon. He lived there with his father and mother, Mr. and Mrs. Albert Bergman, and his two brothers.

He was studying to take the examinations for the degree of doctor of philosophy and had taken a problem book into the bathroom. When his body was found gas was escaping from a burner. Coroner Feinberg said the death was accidental. Bergman was absent mind and in the Coroner's opinion he had unconsciously turned on the gas as well as the electric light.

Bergman was graduated from the College of the City of New York and afterward took special courses at Columbia University and Stevens Institute.

## STRIKE RIOTS PUT 100 IN HOSPITALS

**Four Fatally Hurt in Battles Between Philadelphia Police and Mobs.**

Many Suffer Bullet Wounds and More Have Heads Cracked With Paving Stones—Thousands of Extra Policemen Called to Suppress Mob Attacks on the Work—Labor Organizations Threaten a General Strike of All Trades—Much Trouble Expected To-day When Business Will Call for Better Transportation Facilities—State Constabulary May Be Called to Help.

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## HURRICANE KILLS FIFTY. Holds Up the Mauretania Nine Hours—Great Damage in British Isles.

**LONDON, Feb. 20.—An exceptionally violent southwest gale which has prevailed over the British Isles for two or three days reached hurricane force to-day, the wind sometimes reaching a velocity of eighty miles an hour.**

There have been several wrecks on the coasts and a number of disasters ashore, resulting in the aggregate in nearly fifty deaths.

The steamer Queen, from Boulogne with 129 passengers, tried vainly for hours to enter Folkestone this evening. She was finally compelled to stand off at sea, where she tossed like a cork for hours.

After five fruitless attempts she at last entered the harbor. For the sixth effort she steamed three miles seaward to enable her to get enough way on. The steamer was all the time swept by the waves. The passengers had a most uncomfortable experience.

The Cunard Line steamer Mauretania was compelled to lie off Queenstown for nine hours before she was able to enter and embark mails and passengers for New York. When she sailed again she was unable to drop the local pilot at Roche's Point and is taking him to New York.

Severe thunder and lightning accompanied the gale in many places and heavy rains caused floods. Miles of telephone wires are down and communication between London and many of the northern and western cities has been stopped. Three hundred lines are down in London.

The suffragette demonstration scheduled to be held in Trafalgar Square this afternoon was emphatically abandoned, only a handful of enthusiasts being willing to face the weather. The gale is still blowing.

## POLICE ALMOST IDLE. Only One Prisoner at Headquarters All Day Sunday.

The record at Police Headquarters for scarcity of city prisoners was nearly equalled yesterday. For the twenty-four hours from midnight Saturday to midnight Sunday there was just one arrest made by Headquarters men.

Twenty-four or twenty-five years ago, according to traditions, there was one twenty-four hour period that passed without the appearance of a single prisoner.

Moving the day along a half hour, no prisoner was taken to Police Headquarters from 12:30 Sunday morning, when Davis was brought in, to 12:30 this morning. But at 12:05 this morning Headquarters men arrested two Italians for beating up a third and the third for intoxication. The arrests were made on the East Side of Harlem and the prisoners were locked up in the East 104th street police station.

## EGYPTIAN PREMIER SHOT. Three Out of Five Bullets Fired by Nationalist Fanatic Take Effect.

**CAIRO, Feb. 20.—Five shots were fired to-day at Prime Minister Boutros Pasha as he was leaving the Ministry of Foreign Affairs. The assailant was a Nationalist party fanatic of the name of Wardani.**

Three of the shots inflicted severe wounds. Boutros Pasha was taken at once to a hospital, where the physicians said his injuries were serious. His assailant was arrested.

The Khedive, Sir Eldon Gorst, the British diplomatic agent, and other prominent men hastened to the hospital as soon as they learned of the shooting and consoled with the Prime Minister.

Wardani says that his motive was to avenge the Government's acts, of which the Nationalists disapprove.

## BREAKS LEG AT OPERA HOUSE. Oasis Shlom, Hurrying to Get Standing Room, Falls Down Steps.

A cigarmaker, Oasis Shlom, of 144 Stanton street, fell and broke his leg while making a rush for the rail on the orchestra floor of the Metropolitan Opera House just after the doors were opened last night.

There are three steps descending from the corridor to the area for the standees behind the rail. Shlom entered the building with several friends and hurried over to the most westerly door on the Thirty-ninth street side to get a position near the stage. He fell as he was descending the steps. He weighs more than 200 pounds.

He was taken to Mount Sinai Hospital.

## FLORIDA, CUBA, CAROLINA RESORTS. Seaboard Air Line Shortest Quickest Most Attractive Route.

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## WATA THE WRECKER. Discharged Cook Retaliates by Cutting to Pieces M. E. Parrot's Home.

A Japanese, George Wata, had such good references from Senator Root and others when he applied a month ago for a cook's job with Marvin E. Parrot, a lawyer, who lives at the Hague Dwellings, 547 Riverside drive, that he was employed. He acted queerly, however, and on Saturday he was to receive a month's pay and \$5.

Mr. and Mrs. Parrot and their son Marvin dined out on Saturday. When they got home they found their apartment a wreck. Wata had slashed all the furniture upholstery, and Mrs. Parrot's gowns to pieces, ripped Mr. Parrot's suits, shirts and shoes and smashed the china. In all he had done several thousand dollars worth of damage.

He had made such a rumpus that other tenants got the janitor to capture him. Yesterday Magistrate Cornell held him in \$500 bail on a charge of malicious mischief.

## SQUADRON A RIDER HURT. Robert J. Randolph, Jr., Falls From His Horse in the Army.

Robert J. Randolph, Jr., of 340 West Fifty-seventh street, fell from his horse while riding in Squadron A's madison avenue yesterday afternoon and was considerably bruised.

Randolph and a friend were "riding double" when Mr. Randolph's horse, Yeller Kid, stumbled, throwing Mr. Randolph to the floor of the arena. An ambulance surgeon from Harlem Hospital attended him and he went home in an automobile.

Randolph gave his name as John Doe, said he was 34 years old and refused his address. His bruises, the ambulance surgeon said, were not serious.

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